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## CAMPUS FEST

FOOD AND ENTERTAINMENT

Fest held in junction  
with Campus Picnic  
this year — free to  
students and faculty.

by Sarah Jordan  
THE BG NEWS

The second annual Campus Fest will be held in conjunction with the Campus Picnic today from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. It will also combine the campus involvement fair and the volunteer fair with festival activities including a live band and several musical acts. All will take place on the lawn in front of University Hall.

According to Rebecca Fitch, vice-president of the Undergraduate Student Government, one important reason these events are being combined is "to create more unity on campus."

The free Campus Picnic, held by the University Dining Services, will be from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Following the picnic, additional refreshments will be served at Campus Fest.

Freshmen students Heather Hodell, Jessica Wolff, and Sarah Rundle plan on attending Campus Fest. "We're going to find hot guys, free food, and entertainment," they said.

Campus Fest is sponsored primarily by the Office of Campus Involvement, USG, Latino Student Union, and University Activities Organization.

It will feature about 125 various campus and community organizations which are looking for interested students.

"We hope everyone comes out to see what all the organizations have to offer," said Iris Resendez, the LSU president.

"I intend on going because I want to find out further information about some of the clubs I've been interested in joining," said junior Marcia Cooper.

There will also be many entertainment opportunities for stu-



Michael Lehmkuhle BG News

**Campus Fest:** Juan Almaguer, a U. maintenance employee, helps construct the stage to feature Crazy Eddie during Campus Fest. Workers began setting up for the campus wide activity on Thursday in front of University Hall.

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September 7-9

## Black Swamp Festival fills BG with arts

by Lisa Bettinger  
THE BG NEWS

This weekend downtown Bowling Green will be alive with music for the ears and art for the eyes. The Black Swamp Arts Festival has been a fixture in Bowling Green for nine years. The festival is a combination of music, arts, film and youth activities.

There will be seven different venues for music during the festival and a wide range of music being played. Dr. Lucy Long, a professor in the popular culture department, is just one of the many artists who will be performing over the weekend. She said that she has been performing at the festival for four years. The fact that the festival takes

place in town is one reason why she enjoys performing.

"I live here in Bowling Green," she said, "I see it as a community event. It's the one time where Bowling Green feels like a big city."

Howard's Club H is just one of the venues where music will be performed. According to John "J.D." DeSmith, the club's manager, Howard's had a somewhat unofficial role until just a few years ago. "The headliners would always come here and jam on Saturday night," he said. DeSmith said that festival organizers approached Howard's a few years ago asking for stage space for more bands.

DeSmith said that he looks forward to the influx of different

people that come through the city. "Every year this festival gets better and better," he said, "There is a lot to offer in this little town. Everybody gets a taste of what they like."

According to DeSmith, Howard's adds more than just a club atmosphere to the festival. Guests are able to talk and relax. "When you walk in the door, the perception (of bars) goes out of the window," he said.

An electronica stage will be located on South Main Street near Sky Bank's parking lot. The Huntington Bank Courtyard will be the host the "Old Time Music Acoustic Jam Session" from 3 to 6 p.m. on Saturday. Musicians are welcome to bring their instruments and join the ses-

sion. The Community Commons courtyard will be home to jazz, folk, and acoustic musicians. The Youth Art Stage will offer entertainment that is geared towards the younger audience. Acts will include storytellers, comedians and folk musicians.

The main stage will be located in the parking lot on the corner of East Wooster and South Prospect streets. Some of the bands who will be appearing include Iguanas on Friday night and former "Saturday Night Live" band leader G.E. Smith on Saturday night.

"I like listening to all the different groups," Long said, "There's a

**BLACK SWAMP, PAGE 2**

## Ward system changes may affect students

by Holly Barnes  
THE BG NEWS

The new ward system voted on by the city council this summer might affect student representation in the council if passed by voters in November.

Mayor John Quinn was invited to speak on various University issues and the new charter changes during a Faculty Senate meeting Tuesday.

Under the current system, the city is divided into four wards, each represented by one member elected by his or

her ward rather than by the entire city population. The four ward members serve two-year terms on the city council. The campus is located in ward one, and students represent 43 percent of it. Last year, 1,068 students voted.

Quinn said with the new ward system, all ward representatives would be at-large members (elected by the city) and would serve four-year terms. The city would be divided into seven wards.

The plans for this charter are not definite and will be on the

ballot in November.

"Nothing changes unless people vote for the change," Quinn said.

The new charter could be creating a few problems for students trying to run for city council. The main one is students would have

to commit to a four-year term instead of a two-year term.

In addition, students running for council would need to be elected by the city, instead of being elected by the ward in which they live.

"If all wards were at-large, it would make it

hard for a student to become a council member because they would have to win the city's vote," said Sarah Tomeshefski, a University student and representative for ward one.

The council voted to put this charter on the ballot twice, and it passed the second time on Aug. 15 with a 5-2 vote. The two votes against the new charter were from wards one and two.

If the charter passes on the November ballot it is possible

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## Race for Cure raises money

The race includes  
a 5K walk and run  
as well as a one-mile  
family walk.

by Shannon E. Kolkedy  
THE BG NEWS

The Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation will host its eighth annual Race for the Cure on Sunday, Sept. 9, at 9 a.m. in downtown Toledo.

The Susan G. Komen Foundation was established in 1982 by Nancy Brinker in honor of the memory of her sister who lost her battle to breast cancer at the age of 36.

The race, which includes a 5K walk and run and a one-mile family walk, raises money for several nonprofit organizations in northwest Ohio. Between 10,000 and 12,000 men, women and children are expected to participate in the event.

One of the main sponsors is the Zeta Tau Alpha fraternity, which will have representatives present from Ohio Northern University, will provide pink caps and T-shirts to all survivors participating.

Also, "in memory of" and "in celebration of" back sign will be available to recognize people they

know who were touched with breast cancer.

According to Pat Holz, chair of the Race Hotline and a Zeta Tau Alpha representative, the race is both inspirational and motivational to all persons involved.

"A lot of people who work on the event committee feel that breast cancer is a personal issue," said Holz, who lost her mother to the disease.

Co-chair Barb Ulrich, who was personally afflicted with breast cancer, also shares a personal view of the benefits of Race for the Cure.

"I did my first race three weeks after my surgery. It is really heart-warming to see all those people out there raising money for a disease that I suffered through" Ulrich said.

The main purpose of the Race for the Cure campaign is to eradicate breast cancer as a life-threatening disease through research, screening and education, said Holz.

"It's important to convince all women to have mammograms and to raise money for those who can't afford the procedure," Ulrich said.

Chris Roslin, co-chair of the Race, agreed that education plays

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## Credit card debt dangerous for college students, says U.S. General Accounting Office

by Jennifer Hallmark & Ryan Lee  
U-WIRE

AUBURN, Ala. — In 1999, Joe Simms, a junior at Auburn University, received a pre-approved credit card in the mail. Thinking that he would use it only for emergencies, he applied for the card.

"I figured I'd be responsible. I

wasn't worried at the time," Simms said.

Three months later, when his bank account ran out, he began charging everything and racked up a large debt.

Simms, a May 2001 graduate, is still paying off his card. He pays \$45 to \$100 a month to keep the interest from accruing. His bal-

ance never decreases.

Now that he is employed, he hopes to have the card paid off in two years.

"The most frustrating thing is that I keep paying the interest off and I'm not getting anywhere," he said.

When students allow their finances to spiral out of control,

dreaded debt can become a harsh reality.

According to a July 2001 report by the U.S. General Accounting Office, college students are in serious trouble when it comes to dealing with debt.

The report ranks irresponsible credit card use and repaying student loans as the major factors

placing students in the red.

The Nellie Mae Education Foundation, a non-profit organization that provides student loans, reports that an astounding 78 percent of undergraduates possess at least one credit card, compared with 67 percent in

*"I figured I'd be responsible, I wasn't worried at the time."*

**JOE SIMMS,**  
AUBURN UNIVERSITY

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## CAMPUS FEST, FROM PAGE 1

dents. Crazy Eddie, a live band brought in by UAO, will be performing at 1:30 p.m. There will also be a live DJ, and other musical acts.

Among other activities, students will be able to test their throwing skills with a dunk tank sponsored by USG, or to try to hit a piñata brought in by LSU. Several games, giveaways or raffles will also take place throughout the day.

"When everyone says there's nothing to do at BG, this is proof that there is plenty," said Steve Domachowski, Coordinator of Student Organization Services.

In the event of rain, Campus Fest will be moved to Anderson Arena, and lunch will be served in Founders, Kreischer, McDonald and Commons dining halls.

## WARDS, FROM PAGE 1

that wards three and four will dominate in the council, with all seven ward positions filled by candidates in wards three and four.

There would be little to no representation from the ward the University is in, or from ward two.

"Students need to vote so that they can still have a voice in the city," Tomeshefski said.

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an important role in the fight against breast cancer.

"Race for the Cure helps raise awareness on breast cancer and offer support to survivors and their families," Roslin said.

Another important part of the event is the raffle of the Promise Quilt. "Album Promise," which is the fourth in a series, was donated by Mary Greeno and the promise quilters. The quilt is a red and green appliqued quilt complemented with fine hand quilting.

Raffle tickets for the quilt are a donation of \$1 each or six for \$5. The winner will be announced at the conclusion of the race. So far, \$9,500 has been raised from the ticket sales.

The race will begin at the corner of Summit and Adams and will conclude at Promenade Park. The awards ceremony is scheduled to begin at 10:30 a.m.

Walk-in registration will be held today from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Saturday from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. for an entry fee of \$20.

Race-day registrations will also be accepted for a \$30 fee at the Wyndham Hotel in downtown Toledo. Packet pick-up will also occur at this time.

WTOL Channel 11 Toledo will be offering live coverage of the events on Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

## DEBT, FROM PAGE 1

1998. A college student carries an average of three cards and posts an average credit card debt of \$2,748, up from \$1,879 in 1998.

Nine percent of card-carrying undergraduates have a credit card debt of more than \$7,000.

"Often it is easier for a college student to get a credit card than a college graduate with a job," said Mike Reynolds, director of Student Financial Aid for the University.

Credit card companies regularly set up shops on college campuses, setting up tables outside Foy Student Union, offering T-shirts and sunglasses as prizes for signing up for a credit card.

Many students apply for these cards without considering the consequences.

The average penalty rate on student credit cards is 22.84 percent, eight points higher than a regular card.

The penalty rate can begin as soon as a student misses one payment. Often, student cards do not offer a grace period for payment.

Having high unpaid balances

is the fastest way to incur debt.

"Credit-card debt is the type that can get away from you quickly," Reynolds said.

Credit cards do have some positive aspects for students if handled responsibly.

The cards can help build a good credit history, which can aid students in receiving loans in the future. Credit cards are also handy in an emergency, and they decrease the amount of cash or checks that one must carry.

Student loans are another possible debt burden that many students face. Auburn offers several types of loans to students, all with varying interest rates and time limits on repayment.

The Federal Perkins Loan, Health Professions Student Loan, Institutional Loans, Federal Stafford Loans and Federal Parent Plus Loans are available for those who qualify.

Logan McLeMore, a sophomore in finance, is using the Federal Stafford Loan for the second time.

"I wanted to have enough money for living expenses and spending," he said.

McLeMore said that there is a

good chance he will take out another loan next year, but he is concerned about having to repay it in the future.

"When you get out of college, you want to start your own living rather than worrying about paying college loans the rest of your life," he said.

While loans are a feasible source of tuition for many students, Reynolds advises students to be careful in choosing the amount they wish to borrow.

"One way students get into debt is when they take out a loan for what they qualify for, rather than what they really need," Reynolds said. "Often they find it difficult to pay back."

The financial aid department requires students to have an entrance interview before they take out any loans, he said. The interview prepares and informs them about their payment responsibilities.

Auburn also promotes positive financial habits by the descending balance plan on the Tiger Club Card, Reynolds said.

"Once the money is gone, it's gone, and you have the responsibility of putting more back on it,"

Reynolds said.

To remain debt-free in college, Reynolds suggests maintaining a budget and avoiding credit whenever possible.

The Nellie Mae Education Foundation offers several tips regarding responsible credit card use. Look for cards with low interest rates, low or no annual fees, a grace period and benefits to the card, such as free gas or airline miles.

Most importantly, students should ask, "Can I afford a credit card?"

Handling the burden of repaying student loans can be made easier by keeping a detailed schedule of how much money is due and when. Making payments on time is essential in remaining debt-free.

Several agencies exist to help manage debt such as the National Foundation for Consumer Credit, Genus Credit Management and Debt Counselors of America.

Sometimes it is also possible to work out a payment plan with the credit card company which may slightly ease the burden.

## BLACK SWAMP, FROM PAGE 1

really nice variety of groups." Long also said that the festival is free and within walking distance. "The purpose (of the festival) is more for people to have fun together," she said.

Along with the music, the Claz Theatre will be showing sev-

eral different films. The theater will still be showing "The Rocky Horror Picture Show" at midnight on Saturday. The theater will also be showing "Pollock," which stars Ed Harris and Marcia Gay Harden and the Talking Head's concert film, "Stop Making Sense," among others.

There will also be activities for the younger festival goers. All of the youth activities are free, except for tie-dye which will require a \$1 donation for materials. Children will be able to create different crafts such as quilt squares, masks, and tiki pendants.

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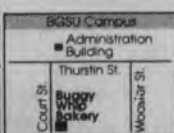
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## Art at Black Swamp offers wide variety

by David W. Storie  
THE BG NEWS

The juried art exhibits at this year's Black Swamp Arts Festival will draw a plethora of artists to downtown Friday and Saturday.

"This show will contain nearly every medium in fine arts and fine crafts," said Tom McLaughlin, chair of juried arts for the Black Swamp Arts Festival. "There will be 95 artists with exhibits this weekend."

The results of the juried portion of the festival will be announced on Saturday. Judging is done by a panel of jurors who are professionals in the field. Every year the jurors change, which allows for changes in what is looked for in the exhibits, according to McLaughlin.

"The jurors look for quality and originality in the work," said McLaughlin. "Both of the jurors who will judge the work will be professional artists."

For students this provides several unique opportunities. It allows them to view types of art which they may not usually be able to see on a regular basis. Students can also talk to the

artists and understand the thought process behind the work. There are also many buying opportunities at the arts festival.

"The prices can run from a \$5 hand-painted refrigerator magnet to large paintings for as much as \$2500," said Jacqueline Nathan, director of the University art galleries.

Purchases are not limited to paintings only. The large number of art media being shown offer a large variety to those attending the festival.

"There will be lots of jewelers and ceramics as well as stained glass and weaving," Nathan said. "People have many great buying opportunities, both for themselves or for gifts for other people. Some of the things that are sold here are not the types of things that are commonly available."

For those who do not wish to spend money, viewing the art is free.

"I think that it is really fun to just go there and look around at the different exhibits," Nathan said. "That is one of the best parts of it."

## UK challenges Letterman to weekend tractor pull

LEXINGTON, Ky. (U-Wire) — David Letterman and tractors may not be a logical pairing, but if University of Kentucky College of Agriculture students have their way, it will be.

The students, alumni, faculty and staff are challenging Letterman to represent his alma mater, Ball State University, in a tractor pull this weekend prior to the UK-Ball State football game.

At least 15 students have e-mailed Letterman with the challenge and are rallying others to do the same, said Tim Greis, an agriculture engineering and biosystems junior.

"If he thinks Ball State is so great, then try us," Greis said.

Letterman often talks about Ball State and has mentioned the school's match-up with UK on The Late Show with David Letterman.

The college is also challenging Letterman sidekick Biff Henderson to a pork chop, corn or Kentucky bourbon-ball eating contest.

Letterman would ride a quarter-sized tractor, roughly the size of a riding lawn mower, built by agricultural engineering students.

## WEEKEND EVENTS

### FRIDAY, SEP. 7

#### CAMPUS EVENTS

"Carrie Mae Weems: Mirrors and Windows" @ Willard Wankelman Gallery, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

"Personal Space: Twelve Contemporary Painters" @ Dorothy Uber Bryan Gallery, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Campus Fest @ University Hall Lawn, 11:30 a.m.

Campus Fest offers displays from over 300 campus organizations. There will also be different volunteer opportunities from organizations in Bowling Green and north-west Ohio. There will also be free food and prizes from local merchants.

All Campus Picnic @ University Hall Lawn, 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

There will be free food and entertainment at the picnic. In case of rain, the picnic will be served in the dining centers.

Women's Soccer vs. Samford @ Cochrane Field, 4 p.m.

Musical Performance, "The King and I" @ Kobacker Hall, Moore

Musical Arts Center, 8 p.m. Tickets are \$10, \$12, and \$15. Children under 10 are \$7. The box office is open from noon to 6 p.m. Call 372-8171 for ticket sales and information.

Dance, "Come Dance with VISION" @ 9 p.m.

Call VISION at 372-0555 for more information.

#### BOWLING GREEN

The Argument with Ordinary People @ Easystreet

The Sprags @ Howard's Club H

Black Swamp Arts Festival (see article)

### SATURDAY, SEP. 8

#### CAMPUS EVENTS

"Carrie Mae Weems: Mirrors and Windows" @ Willard Wankelman Gallery, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

"Personal Space: Twelve Contemporary Painters" @ Dorothy Uber Bryan Gallery, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Musical Performance, "The King and I" @ Kobacker Hall, Moore Musical Arts Center, 8 p.m.

3 on 3 Basketball Tournament @ Conklin basketball courts, 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Welcome back cookout @ outdoor courts between Harshman and Kreischer Quadrangles, 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

The cookout is open to all members of the BGSL campus community.

Football vs. Buffalo @ Doyt Perry Stadium, 6 p.m.

Students get into the game free with their valid student I.D.

#### BOWLING GREEN

Rod's Collision and Big Al & The Heavyweights @ Howard's Club H

Oval Opus @ Easystreet

Greg Amanda @ Campus Quarters

Black Swamp Arts Festival (see article)

### SUNDAY, SEP. 9

#### CAMPUS EVENTS

"Carrie Mae Weems: Mirrors and Windows" @ Willard Wankelman Gallery, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

"Personal Space: Twelve Contemporary Painters" @ Dorothy Uber Bryan Gallery, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Women's Soccer vs. Toledo @ Cochrane Field, 1 p.m.

Intramurals and Sports Clubs:

Something for Everyone" @ 115 Olscamp Hall, 2 p.m.

Information will be available on intramural sports and sport clubs offered by the Recreational Sports Department on campus.

Faculty Artist Series: William B. Mathis, trombone @ Bryan Recital Hall, Moore Musical Arts Center, 3 p.m.

The performance is free and open to the public.

#### BOWLING GREEN

The Breakup/ Green With Envy/ Sour Moon/ and Auto Pilot @ Howard's Club H

Black Swamp Arts Festival (see article)

#### CORRECTION

The VCTO meeting listed in Thursday's calendar of events is scheduled for Monday, Sept. 10. We apologize for any confusion this may have caused.

#### HAVE AN UPCOMING EVENT?

If you have a campus or city event that you would like to have listed in the calendar of events, send an e-mail to lisabet2@hotmail.com or stop by 210 West Hall with information on the event.

The deadline is 6 p.m. the day before the event. Deadlines for the weekend edition is 6 p.m. on Sundays.

## Fatboy Slim wins early and often at Video Music Awards

by Nekesa Mumbi Moody  
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK — Fatboy Slim's "Weapon of Choice" video was the leading winner at Thursday's MTV Video Music Awards, winning five of the nine awards for which it was nominated.

The clip doesn't even feature the artist; its star is actor Christopher Walken, dancing around an empty hotel lobby. Among the early awards it

nabbed was for best direction, for Spike Jonze, and best choreography.

Comedian-host Jamie Foxx got the evening off to a somewhat raunchy start. After parodying the evening's setting at the Metropolitan Opera House he launched into a monologue that had to be bleeped by censors.

Foxx had said he would not lampoon celebrities during the show, but apparently had a

change of heart, joking about Mariah Carey's recent nervous.

The Backstreet Boys gave out the evening's first award, for best hip-hop video. Before OutKast picked up their trophy, McLean thanked MTV and fans for supporting him during his recent stint in rehab.

"Today is 64 days sober, and I'm proud of it," he said to applause.

As the group made its way off-

stage, Foxx held out a bottle to them. "You want some champagne, some champagne?" he joked before the stunned crowd.

Moments later the mood turned somber with a tribute to Aaliyah, who was killed Aug. 25 in a plane crash. Janet Jackson, Missy "Misdemeanor" Elliott, Ginuwine and Timbaland joined Aaliyah's brother, Rashad Haughton, in remembering the 22-year-old singer and actress.

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# Tuesday, September 11



## FEDS STOP SEEKING MICROSOFT BREAKUP

WASHINGTON (AP) — Reversing a Clinton-era legal strategy, the Bush administration announced today it will no longer seek the breakup of Microsoft and wants to end the historic antitrust case against the software maker as quickly as possible.

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### Culture not just in yogurt

Do you know that Bowling Green and surrounding areas used to be the Black Swamp? Well, the swamp is gone and all we have left to enjoy is the Black Swamp Arts Festival.

Now, for all you non-artsy people, fear not, there's something for everyone.

Call it a chance to get out of your dorm and walk across Main Street without fearing you'll be roadkill before you reach the other side. Eat some food — it has to be better than dorm food. If you like listening to live bands (that's not something you can do vegging out in front of the TV), there's plenty of

that too.

These bands are a mix of local and national ... and if that doesn't tempt you, they do serve beer there (remember kids, only if you're 21).

Culture (and not that stuff you find in yogurt), another thing that normally wouldn't be found in Bowling Green in great amounts is another thing that you'll find at Black Swamp. Art, crafts and films about a grande assortment of topics can be found.

Probably the best thing about the Black Swamp Arts Festival is the fact that it brings the University community together

with the Bowling Green residents. Most of the time, the two are mutually exclusive units, coexisting in a semi-peaceful fashion.

This weekend will be the perfect time to get out and enjoy the late summer weather, walk around the town, sample food and listen to bands.

This is something that only happens once a year. Aside from the National Tractor Pull, it's probably the coolest thing that happens in BG. Get out and enjoy the nice weather while it's still around.

And remember to have an elephant ear — they're good.

### Bars not place to find love

ANDY SHOTWELL

Opinion Columnist

Who decided that bars are the place to go to meet compatible partners of the opposite sex? Sure ladies, that guy looks like walking heaven when he's approaching you at the bar, but what you fail you to notice through the lighting and the noise is that he has sweat pouring from every major orifice, he hasn't completed a sentence for at least the last few hours (or maybe ever), and the biggest decision he's made about his future is whether to drink Natty Light or spend a few bucks more for Budweiser.

But, you're in awe, so you talk to him anyway — just like the last four girls he's been grinding on.

He then proceeds to put his arm around you and ask you mentally stimulating questions like, "do you like to party?" which, by the way, directly translates to: "Can I touch your breasts?"

And it's the same for you guys.

There are hordes of girls who can look sexy after they've spent 13 hours in

front of the mirror using their faces as a canvas for that odd Impressionist art of putting on makeup. Picture Mona Lisa with bright red lipstick and too much mascara. The true measure of beauty, however, is how they look in their 8:30 biology lecture the next morning.

Now don't get me wrong, I'm sure that it's possible for two people to have a meaningful relationship that was spurred by a chance meeting at one of the Bowling Green Meat Markets. If I were a betting man, I wouldn't put my money on it. Personally, I know that I have a better chance of finding someone I'm attracted to when I'm at the library, talking to girls on my marketing class, or through a mutual friend. I'm also willing to bet that this is nothing everyone hasn't already heard a million times.

So why am I, a business student that is currently untached, telling you again? I think that either everyone has forgotten what is truly important or has already gotten their feelings hurt so badly that they are no longer looking for someone they may actually begin to like. Please don't misinterpret what I'm saying. I'm not implying that

you should be out there looking for your future husband or wife as we're still young and you won't find them if you're looking.

Also, you'll never find out if you're compatible with someone until you get to know who they are and what they aspire to be. You see, guys, there are these things called 'dates' that you can take girls on and actually get to know more about them than their cup size. And girls, you may be able to do your laundry on his abs, but before you get that far, maybe you should see if he can remember your name (and spell it correctly). You owe that much to yourself.

Finally, I know that there are some of you out there who are very content with picking a new partner every weekend (think Baskin Robbins's 31 flavors). You have my sympathy. I'll be thinking of all of you, hoping that in the near future you figure out that doing who-knows-what with a random member of the opposite sex every weekend pales in comparison to finding someone that truly makes you happy.

After all, we all get ugly eventually.

### The Bell Curve

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## The Campus Voice

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Part-time teachers deserve some R-E-S-P-E-C-T

Kudos to the University for wasting more than a million dollars on a flailing football program (sorry, but a win over Missouri is not beating Toledo!) when part-time instructors can't even get a living wage ... yes, part-timers (teaching 3 and 3) make about as much per year as Dr. Ribeau's annual raise! So this is the oft-touted "core-values" that I keep hearing about?! Perhaps part-timers would get "respect from others" if they didn't have to take a second job to pay the day care bill. Certainly, you will hear more from us.

BETH GURLEY  
American Teacher Federation  
Organizer

### Take me out to the (foot)ball game

On Saturday night at 6:00 pm, the second chapter of the new era in BGSU football begins, as Urban Meyer will lead the Falcons onto the field in his first home game as our new head coach. After last weeks huge upset over Missouri of the Big 12, people are actually talking about our football team. Coach Meyer has taken the same team from last year's 2-9 debacle and turned them into a good football team. Our players and coaches have worked extremely hard to be competitive and they deserve our support on Saturday night against Buffalo.

The game will also mark the first under the new permanent lights that were installed over the summer. Students can no longer say that the games are too early for them to make it

over to the stadium.

What better way to spend a Saturday night than cheering on our Falcon football team to victory and then celebrating afterwards? Therefore, I challenge the entire University community from students, faculty, and staff to come out to the game on Saturday night and show our football team that they have the support that they so rightly deserve. They have worked too hard not to play in front of a packed Perry Stadium and to not have the support of the student body. Imagine what it would be like if 30,000 people showed up and cheered their tails off for our Falcons. Our football team is exciting to watch and the game will be even more exciting with a packed Perry Stadium.

So, come out to the game and support your football team. What better way to give something back to this university that has given you so much?

JOSEPH LEBER  
Student

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## Tales of a soap-opera addict



KURT KINZEL  
Opinion Editor

I looked at my watch. Sweat dripped down my forehead as I stared at my computer screen.

It was 12:45. I had to get home.

Why, you might ask, would I be in such a rush to get in my car and go home in the middle of the day?

I had to watch "Days of Our Lives."

I know it seems trite to leave the newspaper office (the TV in here is broken) and go all the way home just to sit on my butt and watch a soap opera.

There's something about the soap opera that is enamoring, even though the plots border on absolute stupidity, and they move along at half the pace of your everyday garden variety slug. There's just something about sitting down and escaping into another world (another world, not "Another World") that is so fascinating.

Soap operas have their own set of rules to them — under no circumstances are the characters allowed to tell each other the truth, and they must stab someone in the back at least once a week. Also, if you die, don't worry, you can be brought back to life at any time, and if you hit your head, make sure you hit it hard enough to get amnesia. This is what I learned

from watching "Days."

I've been watching "Days" for longer than I care to admit, and I have watched (but not religiously) "Passions" and "Sunset Beach." There's something about "Days," on the air for almost 40 years that makes it quality TV. Yes, sometimes the plots are a bit sketchy and they leave reality for awhile. In the end, "Days" is quality no-brainer scandalous pseudo-trash TV.

Are people going to laugh at me for admitting that I'm addicted to soap operas? Probably. Are they going to say that I'm a guy and guys don't watch soaps? Sure, why not. But hey, they are the people probably watching "The Bold and the Beautiful" when no one else is looking.

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"I'd rather have someone go to Indiana and get me some."



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"Yeah, just another reason to get drunk."



ERIC HANN  
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"To drink?"



KYLE PELTIER  
FRESHMAN

"Are they really?"



# Bush, Fox praise NAFTA in Toledo

by John Seewer  
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

TOLEDO, Ohio — President Bush and Mexico's president on Thursday made their first state trip together into Ohio's industrial heart, praising trade policies that have created jobs in Mexico.

Bush and Mexican President Vicente Fox asked Americans to embrace the North American Free Trade Agreement, which they said will build a new middle class in Mexico.

"We want Mexico to grow a middle class so that the citizens can find work and feed their families," Bush said to polite applause in this Democratic stronghold.

Many still question the results of NAFTA, which has been blamed for siphoning jobs to Mexico. Others in Toledo's growing Hispanic community say the jobs have not changed life in

*"What we want to do is have a trading relationship that encourages not only job creation in American, but job creation in Mexico as well."*

GEORGE W. BUSH, PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

Mexico.

"It is not going to be successful until that money trickles down to the workers," said Louis Escobar, Toledo's only Hispanic councilman.

Fox, speaking in Spanish and English, said NAFTA has benefited both countries, and that it was vital that Mexicans have "a decent job with an income that allows living with dignity."

Pockets of migrant workers and Hispanics waved Mexican flags and danced to Tejano music as Bush and Fox took the stage at the University of Toledo's Savage Hall to discuss immigration, trade and crime.

Hispanics have come to Toledo

in large numbers in recent years, many seeking work. But they along with labor leaders have been disturbed by the number of jobs being lost to Mexico because of NAFTA.

"What we want to do is have a trading relationship that encourages not only job creation in America, but job creation in Mexico as well," Bush said to the crowd of 7,000.

Bush noted that his own grandfather grew up in Columbus and Fox's grandfather was from Cincinnati. "I guess you could kind of say we're Ohioans," Bush joked in his Texas drawl. "It's kind of hard to tell by our accents."

Dozens of migrant workers who come to Ohio each year to pick tomatoes and cucumbers filled seats in front of the stage, wearing stickers on their shirts with the names of immigrants who died while crossing Mexico's border to find work in the United States.

Brenda Pena, 17, said changing immigration policies would save lives because "people are dying to cross the border."

The teen-ager is working in northwest Ohio with her family. They migrated to Ohio from Texas, Bush's home state.

Pena said amnesty for illegal immigrants would improve the way they are treated in the U.S.

"They think because they're migrants they can be mistreated," she said.

Migrants in the crowd cheered loudly when Fox urged Bush to come up with a solution on amnesty.

"Hopefully one day everybody will get a work permit," said Monica Lopez, of Akron, whose husband has waited four years for a green card. "We're anxious for this."

Hours before the two presidents arrived, union workers who had lost their jobs because of plant closings and production shifts to Mexico spoke at a news conference.

"My health care runs out in

three weeks and I have five kids to take care of," said Rosa Ealy, a Jeep worker who was laid off indefinitely in June.

Opposition to NAFTA runs deep in this city with ties to the auto and glass industries.

Workers at the city's Jeep assembly plant were stunned this spring when DaimlerChrysler AG announced it would increase production of the hot-selling PT Cruiser at a plant in Mexico instead of bringing the work to Toledo.

"Why are they taking it from us and giving it to a new country?" Ealy said.

Gov. Bob Taft said earlier this week that the state's exports have tripled since NAFTA was put in place. Taft said he would welcome Bush's proposed expansion of free trade throughout the Western hemisphere.

## Wildfire forces people from homes

by Grace Lee  
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — A growing wildfire west of Yosemite National Park forced people from their homes Thursday in nine small California communities and damaged an aqueduct, curtailing water supplies.

But elsewhere in the West, cooler temperatures and rain signaled the approaching end of the forest fire season. The nation's largest wildfire, burning 64,000 acres in and near Montana's Glacier National Park, was blanketed with thick fog and high humidity, following a steady rain that stopped the blaze in its tracks.

"This high humidity is doing us more good than the rain did. ... I've got a feeling the grass won't even burn today," fire information officer Bob McKinney said.

The National Interagency Fire Center reported 12 major fires burning on more than 203,000 acres Thursday. But the center said eight major fires were contained Wednesday. Several of the others were nearing containment, and cooler temperatures and rain were expected in several western states.

The northern California fire, which broke out Wednesday afternoon, had charred about 1,000 acres of heavy brush and timber about two miles from Hathaway Pines, a small community 25 miles northwest of Yosemite.

About 150 homes were evacuated and more were on alert for possible evacuation. At least 60 people spent the night at a shelter set up at an elementary school.

"It was a four in the morning, grab-the-dog-and-go type of thing," said Kelly Osborn, principal of Albert Michelson Elementary School in Murphys, Calif.

The wildfire destroyed part of an aqueduct that provides water to four communities — Angels, Vallecito, Douglas Flat and Murphys — leaving residents with an estimated two-day supply of water, officials said. They were advised to limit water use.

Retired nurse Marie Heimback was evacuated Wednesday afternoon from her home in Sunrise Point. "I was looking out of the window and saw smoke coming down the canyon," she said. "Then the fire department came by and gave me 10 minutes to pack a few things."

Twelve-year-old Hilary Schwartz hurriedly left her Forest Meadows home with her family under a glowing and smoky sky. They managed to grab some personal belongings and their pets — two dogs, two cats, a bird and a hamster.

Some 820 firefighters dug into steep, rocky terrain, using bulldozers, chain saws and shovels to strip away heavy brush and cut down trees to make a line around the fire. The blaze was 10 percent contained Thursday afternoon, said Ben Hector, fire information officer for the Forestry Department.

## China warns U.S. against Taiwan deal

Beijing warned the United States that if it sells 40 missiles to Taiwan, the U.S. relationship with China will be harmed.

by William Foreman  
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

TAIPEI, Taiwan — Taiwan wants to buy 40 Maverick air-ground missiles from the United States, a deal Beijing warned Thursday would harm U.S.-China relations and raise tensions in the Taiwan Strait.

The Taiwanese are considering arming their F-16 jets with the AGM-65G Maverick missiles so the planes would be better able to stop an amphibious attack, the U.S. Defense Security

Cooperation Agency said in a news release. American jets have used the missiles on attacks on Iraq.

The arms deal, valued at \$18 million, would also be important to Taiwan because it could expand ties between the U.S. and Taiwanese militaries, which do not have a formal alliance. The package would include maintenance and pilot training as well as logistics support.

American weapons sales to this island anger China because a well-armed Taiwan is better able to resist Chinese pressure to reunify. The two sides split amid civil war five decades ago, and Beijing has threatened to use force to reclaim Taiwan, which lies about 100 miles off China's southeastern coast.

In Beijing, Chinese Foreign

*"It is not in the interests of bilateral relations between China and the United States."*

ZHU BANGZAO, FOREIGN MINISTRY SPOKESMAN

Ministry spokesman Zhu Bangzao told reporters that China was "seriously concerned" about the missile request. He said selling the weapons would encourage Taiwan to seek independence.

"I think it will also have a negative impact on stability across the Taiwan Strait," Zhu said. "It is not in the interests of cross-strait relations. It is not in the interests of bilateral relations between China and the United States."

Zhu added that the missile sale would violate U.S.-China

communiques. In 1982, Washington signed an agreement promising that America would gradually reduce the quantity and not upgrade the quality of arms sold to Taiwan.

However, the communiqué also specified that the arms sales would be reduced as long as China stuck to its "fundamental policy" to seek a "peaceful resolution" of the Taiwan issue. Washington has grown increasingly worried about China's military buildup and its rapid deployment of missiles directly across from Taiwan in recent years.

America is also required by the 1979 Taiwan Relations Act to sell the island weapons necessary for its defense.

Congress would have to approve the Maverick missile sale to Taiwan, and it appears

that the Defense Security Cooperation Agency — part of the Department of Defense — has no objections to the deal.

Selling the missiles — made by Raytheon Missile Systems Corp. of Tucson, Ariz. — would not affect the basic military balance in the region, the agency said in the news release Wednesday.

The agency also said the requested Maverick missiles have a longer range than earlier models the Taiwanese already have, and that the new arms would be compatible with the island's existing military equipment.

The arms would also include 10 training missiles, 48 LAU-117 launchers, software support, spare parts, containers, adapters, publications and technical documents, the agency said.

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# Wise wants city to be united in redistricting

by John Seewer  
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

FOSTORIA, Ohio — Fostoria is separated by crisscrossing railroad tracks, three counties and three legislative districts.

Safety Service Director Ralph Wise said at times, it can seem like three cities. He hopes that when Ohio's legislative districts are redrawn this year, the town will be brought together in one district with one state representative.

"We have more population than 20 percent of the county seats," Wise said. "But they have the influence."

Ohio's 99 House and 33 Senate districts will be redrawn to show population shifts in last year's census. The new maps must be published by Oct. 5.

Some cities are split into two districts, including Parma and Euclid in suburban Cleveland and Bellevue in rural northwest Ohio.

Wise said a single district representing Fostoria, population 13,900, more clout in Columbus. A message seeking comment was left for Fostoria Mayor John Davoli.

Wise was one of a limited

number of people who attended a series of meetings around the state to give the public a chance to offer opinions about redrawing Ohio's legislative district lines.

The 10 meetings drew little interest and few people have offered their own ideas for reconfiguring the districts.

The state constitution requires that a district be as compact as possible and gives preference to cities and counties that can qualify as a single district.

The board redrawing the districts is made up of Gov. Bob Taft, Auditor Jim Petro, Secretary of State Kenneth Blackwell, House Speaker Larry Householder — all Republicans — and Senate Democrat leader Leigh Herington.

Rep. Rex Damschroder, R-Fremont, who represents the largest of Fostoria's three districts, said he understands why some may think the split districts hurt the city.

"On the other hand, they may get more attention by having three representatives, three state senators," he said. "There's two ways to look at it."

Damschroder said he would

ultimately back what the city and its residents want.

"I don't see it hurting much either way," he said. "If they all want to be in one district that's fine with me."

But he has doubts about whether the board drawing the districts will listen to the people who showed up at the traveling meetings and that's why few people showed an interest.

"The public's not stupid," Damschroder said. "They're not going to spend a lot of time on this coming up with a solution."

Herington, the only Democrat on the board, said the meetings were not a waste of time because some of the people attending seemed to know the issues better than he did.

What was talked about most was how the board should not put politics above geography, he said.

He cited one senate district that includes part of suburban Cleveland and part of rural Wayne County.

"What do those people have in common?" Herington asked. "The answer to that is probably very little."

## BG NEWS BRIEFING

### Main Street closing for arts festival

The city of Bowling Green has announced traffic and parking lot closures during the Black Swamp Arts Festival.

Beginning at 5 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 8, Main Street will be closed to traffic between Clay Street and Washington Street. East and westbound Wooster will be open to traffic. The closed portion of Main Street will reopen Sunday, Sept. 9 at 8 p.m.

Parking will also be prohibited on several streets: Main Street between Clay and Washington Streets, on Prospect between Wooster and Clough Streets and on Clough Street between Main and Prospect Streets. The city has warned that any cars parked in these areas after 3 a.m. Saturday will be towed at the owner's expense.

City parking lot 2, which is surrounded by West Wooster, South Prospect and East Clough Street, will be closed during the entire festival.

### Police arrest suspect slayings

BLOOMINGBURG, Ohio (AP) — Sheriff's deputies on

Thursday charged a man with killing his wife and a friend whose bodies were found at the couple's Fayette County home.

Brandon Moccabee, 21, was charged with two counts of aggravated murder, said Sheriff's Capt. Donald Cox.

Moccabee, of Bloomingburg, was arrested in the lobby of a Columbus law office after a passer-by matched him with a description broadcast on the radio, said Sherry Mercurio, spokeswoman for Columbus police.

Deputies responding to reports of a gunfire found Lisa Moccabee, 22, of Bloomingburg, and Shaun Williams, 24, Nokesville, Va., dead at 1:30 a.m. Thursday in Moccabee's house in this town 40 miles southwest of Columbus, said Sheriff's Sgt. Jim Sears.

Sears said Williams had been in Ohio for about two weeks.

### Condemned inmate tells governor he didn't commit crime

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — A convicted killer whose exe-

cution is in less than a week wrote Gov. Bob Taft a letter asking that his life be spared because he did not commit the murder that led to his death sentence.

John W. Byrd Jr. told Taft in a typed three-page letter that he did not fatally stab Cincinnati convenience store clerk Monte Tewksbury during a 1983 robbery.

"There will be no justice in permitting my execution," Byrd wrote. "I pray that you would look very closely at this situation."

Byrd, 37, will be executed Sept. 12 unless a court steps in or Taft grants his request for clemency. Byrd has acknowledged taking part in the robbery but has denied stabbing Tewksbury.

In the letter, Byrd said he never received a fair trial and asked Taft to meet with him on death row.

"There will be no justice in permitting my execution," Byrd wrote. "I pray that you would look very closely at this situation."

Taft will not visit Byrd but will consider the letter, said Joe Andrews, Taft's spokesman.

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Matthews was cited for speed at 130 Eberly.

Nathan P. Gill was cited for violation of motorcycle temporary permit and safety violation.

Amy Jo Pitchford reported her purse missing from Wal-Mart. The purse contained items with an estimated worth of \$240. Craig M. Baker was cited for an expired registration.

A man was arrested for hitchhiking and obstructing official business. He was found to have an active warrant parole violation in Sacramento, Calif. A man was arrested for public

indecent — masturbating at a computer in the tech lab at the Wood County Library. Sarah A. Eatherton was cited for expired registration. Geoff Ziegler

reported his black Mongolian bicycle stolen. Its estimated value is \$300. Matthew R. Sierschula was cited for attempting to use a false ID. Chad Wesley Niezgoda was cited

for underage possession. Thomas H. Mohman was cited for disorderly conduct — urinating in public. Joseph D. Jacobs was cited for an open container.

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**Erika Flanders earns  
National Honors**

BOWLING GREEN, Ohio — Erika Flanders has earned several national honors for her play during the season's first week-end. Flanders, a junior goalkeeper on the Falcon women's soccer team, has been named to the national "team of the week" by a pair of soccer publications.

Flanders was named to the Soccer America Team of the Week, and also was chosen to the Soccer Buzz National Elite Team of the Week. Both teams are comprised of 11 players from around the country, chosen on the basis of their play the previous week.

Flanders becomes the first BGSU player in the five-year history of the women's program to earn national team-of-the-week honors.

The honors are the second and third of the week for Flanders.

**Barry Bonds hits 60th homer**

by Anne M. Peterson  
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

SAN FRANCISCO — Barry Bonds became the fifth player in baseball history to hit 60 home runs in a season, connecting in the second inning of San Francisco's game against Arizona on Thursday.

"That one was nice. My heart was just racing as I rounded the bases," Bonds said.

Bonds got the milestone homer off Albie Lopez on a 2-2 count, and the sellout crowd at Pacific Bell Park jumped up as it sailed over the right-field wall. Jeff Kent, who had been waiting on deck, high-fived a smiling Bonds as he crossed home plate.

As the fans chanted "Barry! Barry!" Bonds made a curtain call and tipped his cap.

"You couldn't write a better story. You couldn't dream of anything better," Bonds said. "It's just unbelievable."

Bonds needs 11 homers in the Giants' final 22 games to establish a new record.

Bonds had never hit more than 49 homers in a season before this season. He joined Babe Ruth (60 in 1927), Roger Maris (61 in 1961), Mark McGwire (70 in 1998; 65 in 1999) and Sammy Sosa (66 in 1998; 63 in 1999).

"To be in that class is pretty amazing," Bonds said after the game with his 2-year-old daughter, Aisha, sitting on his lap.

Bonds hit his 60th homer in the Giants' 141st game, reaching the mark faster than the other four sluggers.

McGwire, the previous fastest to 60, needed 142 games in 1998, the year he set the record with 70 home runs in a season.

Bonds, at 37 years and 44 days, is the oldest player to reach No. 60. He also did it in the fewest at-bats: Thursday's homer came on his 411th at-bat this season. McGwire was five days shy of his 36th birthday in 1998, and he needed 439 at-bats.

Bonds has 554 career homers, nine behind Reggie Jackson for seventh place on baseball's career list.

He hit No. 58 on Monday against Colorado and got his 59th on Tuesday against Arizona's Miguel Batista.

Lopez didn't have much to say about Bonds' 60th. The solo homer bounced on the walkway between the right field wall and McCovey Cove and was scooped up by an unknown fan.

"It was a curveball down in the strike zone and he went and got it," Lopez said. "It got too much of the strike zone."

Ed Martinez of San Mateo, Calif., was out on the walkway for Bonds' at bat.

"Suddenly all the heads above me in the stands look up like the ball is coming this way," he said. "It goes over the wall and bounces and takes this weird spin, and this guy dives on it."

Ever since Ruth hit 60 to break his own record for the third time,

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by Nick Hurm  
THE BG NEWS

Ask a Bowling Green football player what was the lowest point of last year's 2-9 season. Almost every player would probably come to the conclusion there was no lower point than the Sept. 25 meeting with Buffalo.

With 1:27 left in the fourth quarter, the Bull's Marquis Swarte darted 27 yards for a touchdown to carry Buffalo to a 20-17 win over the Falcons. The win snapped the Bull's 18-game losing streak and it was the teams first Division I win since 1970.

By the end of the weekend, former BG coach Gary Blackney announced his resignation. Could the Buffalo loss helped provoke the coaches decision? Quite possibly. The loss sent the Falcons to an 0-4 record. With the feeling still burning in the hearts of some of the players on last year's BG squad, the Falcons are more than ready to play the Bulls again.

"I'm really looking forward to playing Buffalo," BG safety Chad Long said. "We owe them a big favor because I think the game last year kind of cost us our head coach's job. I'm going to take this game personally."

The Falcons are a 22-point favorite as of Thursday, but the team is not taking this game lightly. After all, Buffalo did beat the Falcons last season.

"I think our focus has even grown from last week against Missouri," BG receiver David Bautista said. "Our focus keeps

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## Falcons look for revenge

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building. Buffalo is going to be ready to try to come in and beat us again. They're thinking that because they beat us last year, they can beat us again this year. We're not taking them lightly. For us it's payback time."

The Bulls have many returnees from last year's squad including Dwart and Bull's quarterback Joe Freedy. The same Buffalo team that lost to Rutgers 59-0 last season, played the Scarlett Knights to a 31-15 decision last week.

"They played Rutgers very close," BG coach Urban Meyer said. "There were some mistakes on both sides, but UB coach Jim Hofner put it best when he said that they won the second half 15 to 11. They competed with Rutgers right down to the wire."

The 6 p.m. Saturday meeting marks the seventh time in school history the Falcons will play under the lights. It's also the first meeting at Doyt Perry Stadium between the two teams. Meyer said when his



Associated Press

**TOUCHDOWN:** Running back Joe Alls steps into the end zone to score on a 2-yard run last weekend. This weekend Alls and the Falcons will take on Buffalo at 6 p.m. at Doyt Perry Stadium.

team runs out on the field come Saturday, he wants the players to have the same if not more intensity that they displayed last week against Missouri.

"Buffalo is a very good football team as far as I'm concerned," Meyer said. "And to sit here and think that the people wearing orange are going to show up ... that's not

going to happen. You'd better be prepared with the same fever and passion that we prepared with last week. And I think we will. In fact, I know we will."

## Volleyball on way to another victory

Courtesy of bgsufalcons.com

The Bowling Green State University volleyball team began their season on a successful note by sweeping the Hoosier Invitational in Bloomington, IND this weekend. The Falcons defeated the University of Tennessee, University of Maryland, and host Indiana University to win the tournament. The Falcons (3-0) will play in the Michigan State Invitational this weekend (Sept. 7-8) against the University of Idaho (Sept. 7), Winthrop University (Sept. 7) and host Michigan State (Sept. 8).

Following the Michigan State Tournament, the Falcons come home to Anderson Arena to host University of Dayton (Sept. 11) at 7:00 p.m. Bowling Green heads back on the road to compete in the Pioneer Classic in Denver, Colorado September 14 and 15.

**LAST WEEK:**

The Falcons opened the 2001 season with a tournament win on the road. This is the third time in the last five years that the Falcons have opened the season 3-0. Friday night (Aug. 31), BG defeated Tennessee 3-2 in their opening match of the Hoosier Invitational. The Volunteers, 23-10 and a NCAA Tournament participant in the 2000 season, received votes in the 2001 USA Today/AVCA Division I Preseason Coaches Top 25 poll. The following day, the Falcons defeated host Indiana 3-2 and Maryland, also 3-2, to win the tournament.

**ROMMECK NAMED MAC  
PLAYER OF THE WEEK,  
TOURNAMENT MVP:**

Senior middle Caty Rommeck has been named the Mid-American Conference



Michael Lehmkuhle BG News

**ATTACK MODE:** Senior Amber Vorst hits the ball over the net in a recent practice.

Player of the Week, the league office announced Monday (Sept. 3), after helping the Falcons win the Hoosier Invitational. Rommeck earns this honor for a school-record seventh time in her career.

Rommeck averaged 5.2 kills, 3.0 digs, and 1.3 blocks per game, while hitting .403 in the three matches and was named tournament MVP. Rommeck had 20 or more kills in all three matches, including a career-

high 30 vs. Maryland.

**BECKER NAMED TO ALL-TOURNAMENT TEAM:**

Senior Natalie Becker joins classmate Caty Rommeck on the Hoosier Invitational All-Tournament team. Becker averaged over 12 assists and 2.8 digs per game this weekend, including a career high 21 digs

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## Soccer looks to beat MSU

by Derek McCord  
THE BG NEWS

The journey begins today for the Bowling Green men's soccer team, as it will be looking at an almost mirror-image of itself as it heads north to open up its season against Michigan State.

The regular season will begin with the same team that it ended with last year for the Falcons but the difference will be that BG will go to East Lansing this year. The two squads played to a 1-1 draw last season on Oct. 31, but much has changed since then.

The Falcons are having big personnel changes to deal with this season. With losing high scoring players like Fred Degand and Matt Lyons to graduation the face of the team has taken a different shape. BG will have only 12 returning players this season to work with which means that there are 13 with no playing experience at all coming into the program.

Head soccer coach Mel Mahler feels that the new players are done with training and want to see what they have to show the NCAA.

"They are ready to play," Mahler said. "How they will make the adjustment to Division I-A soccer is the question. The intensity here is turned up a notch and how they will cope with that has yet to be seen."

Their first match against Michigan State should be much more intense than the October affair.

"Last year we were focusing on the conference tournaments already with this being the last match of both our seasons and a non-conference one in that," Mahler stated. "We are very similar teams in the style of play and the players that we are matching up against. The only major difference is that we are going up there this time."

The Spartans have already started their regular season with

their own tournament the MSU Classic. The opened up their tourney with a 6-1 defeat of Wisconsin-Green Bay and then rounded out the weekend with a 2-1 victory over Robert Morris.

After the trip to East Lansing the Falcons head to Columbus to face the defending Big Ten Champions in Ohio State. The Buckeyes are coming off an incredible season where they defeated Penn State 3-2 in overtime to capture the league tournament title then was defeated in the first round of the NCAA tournament by Creighton.

The possibility of having an even better season is high for OSU as they have 17 returning players on their roster and most notably senior goalkeeper Kerry Thompson. Thompson played 135 minutes over the weekend in the 1-0 defeat of West Virginia and the 2-1 victory over Northwestern, backup keeper Chad Brown was charged with the goal against during that match.

The Falcons will have to rely on their defense this weekend, as it compared to last year is the real facet of the team that has stayed intact. The play of then-freshman goalkeeper last season, David DeGraff, really cemented a sense of confidence for Mahler in that position. With the addition of senior Tony Malik, Matthew Martinka and P.J. Behan the defense will be the strength of the team.

"With Dave (DeGraff) and our defense we are solid there," Mahler said. "I feel comfortable about our defense, but the ability to create scoring chances will be a major question."

The ability to play two matches in three days will not be new for the young Falcon team as they were put through the wash earlier this year with their exhibi-

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**BG SPORTS  
PICK OF THE WEEK**

Nick Hurn got off to a hot start with a perfect 6-0 record last week. The rest of the pack is not far behind. All picks are kid tested, mother approved.


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<b>Buffalo at Bowling Green</b> Bowling Green 22 FAVORITE	<b>Prediction Score Rant</b>	Bowling Green 38-10 Last year's upset was a big-time fluke.	Bowling Green 42-17 BG won't let the fans down on the first night game.	Bowling Green 35-14 Safety Andy Heers stars as the Falcons' secret weapon.	Bowling Green 35-7 Falcons get revenge on Bulls and score often.
<b>Akron at #22 Ohio State</b> Ohio State 24 FAVORITE	<b>Prediction Score Rant</b>	Ohio State 41-13 This is a good year for Ohio coaching debuts.	Ohio State 34-21 Akron will lose like BG lost to Michigan last year.	Ohio State 44-14 Michigan fans tremble with fear of the new Buckeyes.	Ohio State 54-14 Zips can't win two in a row. MAC can't beat Big 10 again.
<b>#17 Notre Dame at #4 Nebraska</b> Nebraska 14 FAVORITE	<b>Prediction Score Rant</b>	Nebraska 34-30 Just don't make another corn joke, please!	Nebraska 24-10 The Irish are not worthy enough. Nebraska will win.	Notre Dame 21-20 Grandpa Tom tells me the Irish are strong like Bull.	Nebraska 30-20 Without Urban Meyer, ND has no chance.
<b>#10 Michigan at #15 Washington</b> Washington 3 FAVORITE	<b>Prediction Score Rant</b>	Washington 23-20 In Ohio, benefit of the doubt goes to Michigan opponent.	Michigan 31-17 Another great victory for Michigan. GO BLUE!!!	Michigan 38-28 No Rose Bowl season for Huskies this year.	Washington 17-14 Who cares, it's Michigan!
<b>#21 South Carolina at #24 Georgia</b> South Carolina 1.5 FAVORITE	<b>Prediction Score Rant</b>	Georgia 27-17 Bulldogs break in Gamecocks for BG next week.	South Carolina 21-10 The Gamecocks will beat the Bulldogs once again.	South Carolina 24-21 Lou is God. He could part the hash marks if he wanted.	South Carolina 20-17 Cocks win this fight.
<b>Toledo at Temple</b> Toledo 7.5 FAVORITE	<b>Prediction Score Rant</b>	Toledo 34-21 Rockets are really close to being ranked.	Toledo 38-14 Can you say another slaughter for the Rockets?	Toledo 35-17 The football team is all that UT has going for them.	Toledo 31-10 Toledo continues to slaughter all non-conference teams.

## Griffey ties game with home run

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Ken Griffey Jr. hit a tiebreaking, two-run double in the seventh inning and the Cincinnati Reds overcame a five-run deficit to beat the Pittsburgh Pirates 8-6 Thursday night.

Cincinnati kept the Pirates from winning their fourth consecutive game, which would have matched their season-best streak.

Rich Loiselle (0-1), making his first major league appearance since July 21, gave up an infield single to Todd Walker to open the seventh.

Adam Dunn walked and Griffey scored both runners with a double down the left-field line. Pokey Reese added a sacrifice fly.

Jim Brower (7-9) earned the win with three innings of one-hit relief. Danny Graves pitched the ninth for his 25th save.

Pirates starter Dave Williams had a 5-0 lead after three innings, but couldn't hold it. The rookie gave up five runs in the fourth, three of them unearned because of second baseman Warren Morris' fielding error.

Dunn singled to open the fourth and he went to third when Morris couldn't handle Sean Casey's grounder. Aaron Boone, Dmitri Young and Reese hit con-

secutive run-scoring singles, and Walker chased Williams with a two-run single.

Reds starter Jose Acevedo gave up five runs in 2 1-3 innings. Chad Hermansen opened the first with a double and scored on a single by Aramis Ramirez.

Williams added an RBI double in the second.

Casey's two-base error on Morris' hard grounder to first base helped the Pirates score three runs in the third. Jason Kendall had an RBI single.

Ramirez singled in the seventh against Scott Sullivan and scored on Kendall's single.

### Notes:

Loiselle spent most of the season in the minor leagues after developing shoulder problems in spring training. ... Dunn's hit in the fourth was his second in 19 at-bats. ... Young broke a 0-for-10 streak with his hit in the fourth. ... The crowd of 20,683 pushed the Pirates' season attendance to a franchise-record 2,072,712 with 13 dates remaining at new PNC Park. The previous record was 2,065,302 in 1991, the middle year in the team's run of three consecutive NL East titles.

## Soccer hopes to win; missing two

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tion schedule. The Falcons played Wright State to a 2-0 loss on Aug. 24, then on Aug. 26 tied Dayton 3-3 and then turned around the next day and lost to Oakland 3-2.

"We did that exhibition schedule on purpose," Mahler said. "The scrimmages were to get us

ready for this weekend and next weekend so that we already know what we have to do when we play games this close to each other."

Unfortunately this weekend the Falcons will not have the services of Behan or senior midfielder Kevin Wisniewski as they are both suffering from knee problems.

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# Harriers start season on road

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The Bowling Green State University cross country teams open the 2001 season Saturday (Sept. 8), taking on Ohio University in dual-meet action in Athens, Ohio. The women's race is scheduled to begin at 9:30 a.m., with the men's race set for a 10:15 a.m. start.

There are a number of similarities between the two Falcon teams. Both the men's squad, coached by Sterling Martin, and the women's team coached by Cami Wells have a solid nucleus of returnees to go along with several promising newcomers, as both teams look to build upon some solid late-season finishes in 2000.

Martin, entering his fourth season with the Falcons, welcomes back eight of last season's nine letterwinners from a team that placed sixth at the MAC Championships. Among the returnees are senior Tom Kutter, last year's team MVP, and classmate Rob Glatz, who was named the 2000 team's most improved runner. Kutter was BGSU's top finisher in all seven races last year.

Sophomore Paul Niedzwiecki, who was the Falcons' second finisher behind Kutter in six of last year's seven meets, also returns.

"We're anxious to get the season started," said Martin. "We've had some great practices, and guys put in tremendous summers of work. I'm very pleased with what I've seen so far out of the team."

Following this weekend's race in Athens, the Falcon teams will prepare for the Mel Brodt Invitational. BGSU's lone home race of the season, the Mel Brodt will be held on Saturday, Sept. 15.

# Bonds questions beating McGwire

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the number has held almost mythical significance among baseball players and fans. Maris' duel with Mickey Mantle in 1961 ended with Maris' record-breaking 61 homers in a summer that captivated the nation.

All eyes were focused on the longball again in 1998, when McGwire and Sosa dueled through the entire summer when McGwire finished with 70.

Bonds is unsure whether he can even approach McGwire's record.

"This is a pennant race," he said. "There's not going to be that many chances."

But it could happen.

"Anything's possible. I never thought I'd hit six in three days

in Atlanta, so anything's possible," he said.

The Giants went on to beat the Diamondbacks 9-5 Thursday, pulling within 11/2 games of Arizona in the NL West.

"Sixty home runs, I'm finding out, is not that easy to do," said Arizona's Luis Gonzalez, who has 51 homers himself. "He's a great player to go up there, and every team is pitching around him, when he gets his one pitch he doesn't miss it. I congratulate him for hitting 60. Not many have done that."

Even Kent, who was critical of Bonds in a recent column in Sports Illustrated, was impressed.

"He's had a great year and it's nice to see him keep coming through for us and helping us win," the reigning NL MVP said.

# Women look to MSU tourney

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vs. Tennessee.

## THE OPPONENTS:

The University of Idaho opened its 2001 season with the Notre Dame Tournament in South Bend, defeating Florida Atlantic and Southwest Texas State, before losing to Notre Dame in the championship game. The Vandals, now 2-1, finished the 2000 season 16-13 overall and finished sixth in the Big West Conference's East Division with a 6-10 league mark. Head coach Debbie Buchanan enters her second season with Idaho, and welcomes back 10 letterwinners, including four starters from last year.

Winthrop University opened its season at home, hosting the Winthrop Invitational. After losing to Georgia Southern and East Tennessee State, the Eagles defeated Georgia State. Winthrop, now 1-2, finished the 2000 season with a 24-10 record, finishing second in the Big South with a 11-3 Conference record. Head coach Joel McCartney begins his first year at Winthrop after serving as assistant coach at Oklahoma. McCartney welcomes back 10 letterwinners, including six starters from last year.

Michigan State University opened its 2001 season with a victory at the L&L/MSU Volleyball Classic, defeating Dayton, Western Michigan, Auburn and Denver to take

the title. The Spartans, now 4-0, finished the 2000 season 18-13, finishing fifth in the Big Ten Conference with a 10-10 record. Head coach Chuck Erbe enters his ninth season with Michigan State, and welcomes back eight letterwinners and three starters.

## THE SERIES:

The Falcons trail the series against Michigan State with a 3-5-0 record. The last meeting between these two teams was in 1997 at the Michigan State Invitational, where the Spartans won in four games.

Bowling Green has never met the University of Idaho or Winthrop University in volleyball.

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**WOMEN'S SOCCER**  
**Friday, September 7th • 4:00PM**  
**BGSU vs. Samford**

**Sunday, September 9th • 1:00PM**  
**BGSU vs. Toledo**

## FOOTBALL

**Saturday, September 8th • 6:00PM**  
**BGSU vs. Buffalo**

**STUDENT'S ADMITTED FREE WITH VALID BGSU ID**



